

MOLINE'S SECTION OF THE ARGUS

Day's News Happenings in Rock Island's Sister City

PERMANENT HOME FOR SVEA CHORUS

Project Discussed at Meeting Finds General Support Among Members.

COMMITTEE WILL REPORT

Organization, Handicapped by Lack of Facilities, Awaits Plan to Finance Project.

Prospects of a home for the Svea male chorus have materially improved as a result of a meeting held Saturday by that organization. Many of the members expressed themselves and they were unanimously in favor of taking steps to provide permanent quarters. A committee to investigate means of financing the undertaking was named.

Speakers before the meeting pointed out that the Svea organization is one of the oldest in the city and has progressed as Moline has grown. It has been one of the leading factors in cultivating an appreciation of music and has always cooperated with movements for the general improvement of the city. Lately the membership has grown and their activities branched out till the need of a home is keenly felt.

Funds to Be Applied. Season tickets to the number of 5,000 for the fair to be held at Turner hall, Feb. 3-7, were passed out to members. Proceedings from the sale of these will be placed in the building fund.

The committee named to investigate the feasibility of launching a building project is composed of O. E. Eckerman, Carl G. Lundberg, Henry Forsberg, Charles Brunstrom and Oscar Bohman. A report will be made, probably at the next meeting.

BELGIAN-AMERICAN CLUB IN ELECTION

Officers of the Belgian-American club were elected Sunday afternoon as follows:

President—Edward Corbin.
Vice President—Arthur C. Vander Vennet.
Financial Secretary—Alfred Martens.
Recording Secretary—Odel Carton.
Treasurer—Joseph Van Lancker.
Trustee—Joseph Vander Vennet.
Doorkeeper—Desere Homme.
Marshals—Gustaf Coopman, Seraphin De Brouwer, August Van Kerrebroeck.

It was announced that the club will give an entertainment on Christmas eve for members and their families and that on New Year's eve there will be a dance in the club rooms. Money will be subscribed by members for the aid of the immigration office in New York recently established to help new arrivals from Belgium.

OBITUARY RECORD

Louis Tyler. Louis Tyler, former police chief of East Moline, died at 9 o'clock Sunday evening at St. Anthony's hospital, of septic poisoning due to necrosis of the bone of his left leg resulting from an old injury. In a last hope of saving his life the leg was amputated last Wednesday.

Mr. Tyler was born at Belvidere, Ill., Nov. 12, 1860, and had spent most of his life in Rapids City. Twelve years ago he removed to East Moline and for four years conducted a grocery store there. Then he became chief of police. Since leaving office he has been engaged in the real estate business.

Of the immediate family the widow and five daughters survive. The latter are Mrs. Fred Zeigler, Mrs. William McCausky, Mrs. Charles Shaw, Mrs. Arthur Strandgaard and Miss Alice, all of East Moline. There are also four sisters, Mrs. Ella Dawson of Farmington, Ill.; Mrs. Hattie Johnson of Watertown; Mrs. Lottie Thompson of Owens, Wis.; and Mrs. Maud Huyett of East Moline, and four brothers, Nelson, John and Jesse of Rapids City and Mat of Watertown.

The funeral will be held Wednesday at 10 a. m. at the home on Sixteenth avenue between Fifth and Sixth streets, with Rev. Malcolm Miller officiating and interment in Riverside cemetery.

John Eckerman. John Eckerman died at 6:30 Sunday morning of liver disease at his home, 1927 Thirteenth street. He had been ill for three months, being bedfast for three weeks. Mr. Eckerman was born May 4, 1845, in Smoland, Sweden, coming to America and settling in Moline in 1845. For 25 years he was employed by Deere & Co., removing to a farm near Geneseo 12 years ago. Last spring he erected a new home at the number given and returned to live in this city.

SMASH ICE PRICES IN EAST MOLINE?

Surviving members of the family are the widow and three sons, Oscar, Arthur and Arnold. There are also three sisters, Mrs. Gust Oberg, Mrs. O. Bergquist and Mrs. Lena Olson, all of Chicago. The funeral will be held from the home at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday.

ELKS LISTEN TO BRUCE CAMPBELL

Eloquent East St. Louis Man Speaks at Annual Memorial Exercises.

Several hundred members of Moline lodge No. 555, B. P. O. E. and their families attended the annual memorial services at the First Congregational church yesterday afternoon. The program began at 3 o'clock and Bruce A. Campbell of East St. Louis, former state president, was the chief speaker, with State's Attorney Floyd Thompson pronouncing the eulogy. Music was furnished by the Olive male quartet.

Mr. Campbell is an able speaker and paid an eloquent tribute to the Elks, living and dead. He traced the origin and rise of the fraternal movement and pointed to America as the place where it has come to its full fruition. The B. P. O. E. he declared contained only features proven desirable by many years of experience and is in the very front rank among fraternal societies. The work which the society is doing was gone into at some length.

OVERPLAYS THE PART; LOSES JAIL "HONOR"

John Donnelly will hardly realize his heart's desire to be the first prisoner in the new city jail. At any rate the city officers have strong hopes of getting into the structure before Donnelly's latest county jail sentence has expired. A term of 62 days in the county jail was meted out to him this morning by Justice Fred Entrikin on the charge of vagrancy. After being released on payment of a small fine Saturday Donnelly went on another spree and was again picked up yesterday.

With Donnelly went for a like term Axel Hoagland, who was also found drunk after repeatedly causing trouble for the police.

ASK RIVALS' LEADER TO OLYMPICS' BANQUET

Turner hall has been secured for the second annual football banquet of the Moline Olympic club. It will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 10. Speakers will include Mayor Carlson, Commissioner Johns, Axel Kohler, Coach Burroughs and members of the team. The managers, coaches and captains of the Illinois and the Rock Island Independents will also be invited. The Elks quartet will sing and there will be a wrestling match and some high class vaudeville stunts.

CHARGES AGAINST ROCK ISLAND COUPLE DROPPED

On motion of the state's attorney, the charges against Mark Leone Boeckhart and Emil Leoma, arrested in Rock Island accused with adultery and brought to Moline for a hearing, were dismissed when the case came up in police court this morning. It is understood that the couple were arrested in the belief that something could be learned from them in regard to the murder of Basil Martens, who was killed in South Rock Island several weeks ago.

SCHULTZ ENDS MEETINGS

Labor Evangelist Will Work in the Suburbs During the Week.

Three weeks of evangelistic services from which much good has resulted were completed at the First Baptist church last evening by Rev. D. L. Schultz, the labor evangelist. This evening he preaches at Orion and then returns to hold meetings at East Moline and Silvis. Next Sunday he will be in Chicago.

BUYS EAST MOLINE BLOCK.

Harold Hedman has purchased the E. J. Bronson block on Fifteenth avenue in East Moline, paying \$10,500 for it. There are two store rooms in the building and the new proprietor expects to occupy one of them and to lease the other.

Bangs Speak Tonight.

John Kendrick Bangs will be the speaker at the 45th meeting of the Moline After-Dinner club at the Commercial club rooms this evening. He will discuss noted men with whom he has come into personal contact.

Silvis Cooperative Company Proposes to Go Beyond the Village Limits.

That the cooperative concern which has been formed by Silvis residents primarily to deal in ice intends to make deliveries in East Moline and surrounding territory has been made evident. Shareholders, all of whom probably will be Silvis people, will receive 5 per cent on their capital invested and 10 per cent of the balance of the profit will be placed in a reserve fund. The balance will be distributed among patrons, whether stockholders or not. This will give the benefit of cooperative prices to all who deal with the company.

Organization has been effected under the name of the Cooperative and Trading company of Silvis. The officers are:

President—George Sleeth.
Vice president—J. H. Richards.
Secretary—A. O. Rosen.
Treasurer—R. Haemer.
Director—Clark Corbin, A. O. Rosen, George Sleeth, E. Carlson, J. H. Richards, R. Haemer.

Plans for the ice house have been turned over to the directors with instructions to proceed with the work. The house will be 30x100 feet, 16 feet high and will hold 1,200 tons of ice. Provision is made in the charter for the handling of other commodities, as well as ice, thus paving the way for the opening of a general store if it is later deemed advisable.

ROBERT W. RANK NAMED FOR PLACE

Becomes Public Administrator, Succeeding J. L. Oakleaf, Resigned.

Robert W. Rank today received a message from Governor Deneen notifying him of his appointment as public administrator of Rock Island county to succeed J. L. Oakleaf, who recently resigned. The commission, the message stated, will be forwarded within a few days.

Mr. Rank's duties will be to administer the estates of those who die leaving no wills to provide for the disposition of their property and who have no relatives in the state.

Fred W. Rank, brother of Robert, formerly a resident of Moline and now living in California, was public administrator under the administration of Governor Yates. Mr. Oakleaf was named by Governor Deneen.

EQUIPMENT FOR THE WATERWORKS ORDERED

Three minor contracts for waterworks equipment were awarded by the city commission this morning. The Moline Heating & Construction company secured two of them. Though their bid of \$1,106 for pipe and pipe fittings was not the lowest it was considered the most favorable and the firm will supply these at that figure. The other contract landed by it was for the supplying of valves, the figure being \$255. The H. W. Johns-Manville company of Chicago was given the contract to supply pipe coverings for \$343.

WANT RESIDENT DEPUTIES

Rock River Farmers Plan Ridding the Country of Hunters.

A committee composed of E. J. Jamieson, George McMaster and Charles Larson is looking up the law with reference to rights of property owners in protecting their farms from trespass by hunters and will report at a meeting to be held soon at the South Moline town hall of farmers and others living on Rock river south and southeast of the city. This committee was named Friday evening at a conference of property owners at the town hall. It is probable that a permanent organization will be formed and a number of members will be designated for appointment as deputy sheriffs with authority to arrest hunters and other trespassers who violate the law.

CHANGE EVENING SERVICE

First Congregational Young People Assemble at 7:30.

A change in the evening service of the First Congregational church was decided upon after the morning service Sunday. The object is to secure better hours for the young people, whose meetings have heretofore been from 6:30 to 7:15. This has been considered by many to be too early and the attendance was interfered with. Under the new arrangement, the evening meeting at 7:30 will be devoted to the young people, with special features to interest and benefit them.

TO PUT TEAM IN THE FIELD

Moline Vikings Will Go Out for Prize at Grand Lodge.

Moline Vikings will be represented at the grand lodge at Chicago Feb. 15 by the degree team of the local lodge and an effort will be made to again secure the leading honors in the competitive drills. At the grand lodge in 1910 when there were degree team contests the local Vikings carried off first prize. To defray the expenses of the trip, which will be taken by the 24 men composing the team, a series of entertainments will be held. The Swedish Dramatic company, made up of local amateur talent which gave a play at Turner hall last evening, has been engaged for another appearance in a new drama Sunday evening, Dec. 21.

POPE ESTATE IN DEBT TO MIDLAND

Assertion of Trustee in Bankruptcy Who May Bring Suit for \$200,000.

Suit against the estate of the late C. H. Pope for \$200,000, the face value of stock the Midland Motor company issued and which was handled by Mr. Pope as president, is said to be contemplated by Edward McCulloch, trustee in bankruptcy for the property of the company. If this is done, the action will be based on a ruling made by the circuit court of this county in a suit by the State bank of Rock Island for the collection of treasury notes of the Midland concern. The court held that the notes need not be paid till all other liabilities of the company had been discharged.

FIRE LOSS SMALL DURING NOVEMBER

Uninsured Loss on Buildings Only \$100 According to Report of the Chief.

Fire loss in Moline during November was only \$3,492.12, according to the report filed by Chief John Q. Hawk with the city commission today. The insured loss on buildings was \$1,258.86, and the uninsured loss but \$100, while the insured loss on contents was \$923.28, and the uninsured loss \$1,115. Seven buildings were damaged by fire and an even dozen alarms were turned in.

During the month there were 16 cases of contagious or infectious disease, according to the report of the city health physician. Seven were of diphtheria, six of chickenpox, two of typhoid and one of erysipelas.

While the number of males born in November exceeded the number of females, the death rate of the former was much the greater. There were 30 births, 16 males and 14 females, and 26 deaths, 18 males and 8 females.

The report of the city hospital showed that there were 54 patients on hand at the beginning of the month, 104 were received and 98 discharged, leaving 60 now in the institution.

SOCK AND HAT ONLY CLOTHING HE WORE

George Boyle was found Saturday night roaming at Third avenue and Fourteenth street with nothing on his person but a hat and half of a pair of socks. Possessing the approach of a blizzard before morning, the police considerably took him in and sheltered him, and this morning turned him out after exacting a small fine for intoxication. Before noon he was again drunk and was put back in a cell, where he spent the afternoon wailing and sobbing.

Make a Raid.

This afternoon the police made a raid on a Greek coffee house at 1522 Third avenue and arrested six men, one the proprietor, who gave his name as Tom Kallas, being charged with selling liquor without a license, gambling and assault. Complaint was made against Kallas by an American named Harry Farganin who visited the place Saturday night. He declares he was attacked by several of the inmates one using a meat axe and was robbed of \$55.

Gives Bond.

Mrs. Sam Fryer, who was arrested with her husband for receiving stolen goods, having been implicated in the confession by Silas Bender, was released from custody yesterday under \$2,000. It is understood that Bender has several other things he wishes to confess, but it will not be possible for State's Attorney Thompson to give his attention to the case of the young man until the Dietrich trial has been disposed of.

Thrown from Car.

Mr. May Peacock was thrown from a car on Seventh avenue Sunday evening and is now confined to her home in a serious condition. The woman had gone to the vestibule to wait until the car stopped and while standing near the door, someone opened the door just as the car rounded the curve and Mrs. Peacock was precipitated to the pavement.

Fair Is Success.

The second annual county fair of the Moline Y. M. C. A. Saturday evening was a grand success. Feature of the fair was the work of seventy-five members of the Helping Hand gymnasium class. There were a number of athletic events, the program closing with a swimming contest.

Do Not Play Football.

There was no football game between the Blue Blazers of this city and South Heights at Browning field Sunday afternoon. Both teams were on hand, but it was decided that the chances of injury on the frozen ground were too great.

Ready for Practice.

Sophomore boys of the high school will start basketball practice tonight at the manual arts building gym. Carl McClain will be coach.

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TWO TOES ARE LOST THROUGH ACCIDENT

Harry Engdall, aged 21 years, who resides one and a half miles south of Warner's crossing, suffered the loss of two toes on the left foot in a shooting accident Sunday afternoon. The young man was going hunting and stopped at the home of his brother-in-law for a while. As he came to a standstill he placed the muzzle of the gun on the toe of his left foot and rested his hand on the stock. In some manner the hammer of the gun was released and the gun was discharged, the big toe and the one next to it being torn away. He was attended by Dr. Ellingsworth of Watertown.

CONSULTING ENGINEER SEVERELY CRITICIZED

Fred J. Postel, a consulting engineer of Chicago, who has been engaged at a large salary to inspect the waterworks system of Moline, and who was severely criticized by the city commission for not having turned in a comprehensive report of his work, suggests that the old Holly pump be repaired and used instead of purchasing a new pump. There are differences of opinion among the commissioners regarding the suggestion, and the matter will be considered further before definite action is taken.

LAKE WATCHDOG DEAD IN CHICAGO

Ward, Originator of Mail Order, Starting at 25 Cents a Day, Leaves Millions.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 8.—A. Montgomery Ward, founder of the first mail order business and equally well known in Chicago as the "watchdog of the lake front," died yesterday at his residence in Highland Park. He was 70 years old, but mentally keen to the last.

Pulmonary oedema, a species of pneumonia, was given as the cause, largely induced by a fall about six weeks ago in which he fractured his hip. He also had been a sufferer from Bright's disease.

Death occurred a few minutes before 9 a. m., while his wife, his daughter, Marjorie, his partner and brother-in-law, George R. Thorne, and several nieces and nephews were present, in addition to Doctors Joseph P. Cobb and C. E. Kahle of Chicago and A. R. Sheldon of Highland Park.

The mail order pioneer, who started his business career at 25 cents a day, leaves a fortune conservatively estimated by relatives and friends at about \$15,000,000, consisting chiefly of a large proportion of the stock in A. Montgomery Ward & Co., of which he retained the title of president, though retiring in 1901 from active management.

Of greater importance to Mr. Ward, he lived to see a change in public opinion regarding his successful fight of more than twenty years to keep buildings of all kinds from Grant park. This involved litigation which four times carried him to the Illinois supreme court and as often brought victories. It has been estimated that Mr. Ward spent at least \$150,000 in the fight which he termed "for the poor people of Chicago—not the millionaires."

He lived to see his mind disabused of the view he expressed four years ago when he said: "I have nothing at stake in this fight but the good of the people now and for future generations. Perhaps I may see the public appreciate my efforts—but I doubt it." There is a general impression Mr. Ward left a provision in his will for a continuance of the defense of Grant park against building encroachments. James W. Thorne, one of his nephews, said that but two persons knew if such a provision exists—Mr. Ward and the attorney who had won his many battles.

ties, George P. Merrick. The lawyer declined to comment.

Mr. Ward and the company which bears his name have disposed of all their Michigan avenue property, but still maintain their right of easement—and legal protest—by mortgages on the property. If this should lapse there are two other men willing to continue the Grant park fight—Levy Mayer, lawyer and owner of the Stratford hotel property, and James A. Patten, the grain operator, who owns some pieces of Michigan avenue property.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Highland Park residence. Burial will be at Rosehill. The Rev. Albert J. McCartney, pastor of the Kenwood Evangelical church, will preach the funeral sermon. The pallbearers will be selected today. A special car will be attached to the Northwestern train leaving Chicago at 12:45 p. m. for Chicago friends attending the services.

Aaron Montgomery Ward was born on Feb. 17, 1843, at Chatham, N. J., his parents being Sylvester A. and Julia L. M. (Greene) Ward. He was the great-grandson of Capt. Israel Montgomery Ward, who served in the colonial and revolutionary wars under Washington, and the namesake of another relative, Gen. George A. Montgomery Ward, of the same period.

When the future mail order king was 8 years old his family migrated to Niles, Mich., where he attended the public schools until he was 14. Then he was apprenticed to a trade to help maintain a large and far from wealthy family, but never acquiesced and found work in a stove factory at 25 cents. Later he became a day laborer in a brickyard.

The first glimmering of the ability that was to amass millions came a few years later when he removed to St. Joseph, Mich., to work in a general merchandise store for \$5 a month and his board. In three years he assumed entire charge of the place at a salary of \$100 a month and board.

DELMORE HARRIS SLAIN IN PEORIA

Roofed, Employed in Rock Island Until Recently, Killed During a Quarrel.

(Special to The Argus.)

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 8.—William Moore, engineer in a local distillery, today was held without bail by a coroner's jury on the charge of murdering Delmore Harris Saturday evening. Harris had been employed in Rock Island by the Rock Island Roofing company and came to this city last Monday. He quarreled with Moore after the latter had ordered several boys to quit roller skating on the sidewalk in front of Moore's home, and was stabbed to death.

HOSPITAL EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

State's Attorney F. E. Thompson today gave a written opinion to H. M. Oldefest, assessor for Moline township, in which he stated that the Tri-City Sanitarium, located in Moline and operated by the Seven Day Adventists, is exempt from taxation inasmuch as it is not operated for pecuniary benefit.

WIFE IS IN JAIL; DIVORCE ASKED FOR

Suit for divorce has been brought by John Ticken against his wife, Mrs. Bessie Ticken, in circuit court. Schriver & Schriver are the attorneys. The couple were married Nov. 27, 1912, and the husband alleges that he was deserted Nov. 25, 1913. He also charges statutory offenses. Bessie was recently sent to the county jail.

CONDEMN LOBBY IN HOUSE REPORT

Majority of Committee Makes No Recommendation of Punishment, However.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The house committee which has been investigating the charges of lobbying at the capitol has decided to make no recommendations to the house, though its report will comment severely upon some of the facts disclosed during the months of inquiry following the published accusation of M. M. Mulhall, former agent of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Representative McDonald of Michigan, the progressive member of the committee, will file a dissenting report, though he agrees in the main with the statement of facts set forth by the majority of the committee.

The reports will be read to the house tomorrow. At that time a final meeting of the committee will formally adopt the majority report. The committee, after meeting until near midnight Saturday was in session all of yesterday considering the scope and language of its report and the question of whether there should be any recommendations concerning Representative James T. McDonald of Chicago, mentioned by Mulhall, or as to remedial legislation. Chairman Garrett said that a tentative draft of a report submitted by him to the committee had been "torn to pieces and changed generally."

The majority report is confined to a statement of the facts, including excerpts from the testimony and correspondence concerning the operations of the National Association of Manufacturers, an old formal conclusion in many cases couched in severe language. The resolution creating the committee did not call upon it to submit recommendations.

The dissenting report of Representative McDonald goes considerably further. It sets forth that unless the popular branch of congress is kept above suspicion the balance between the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government is endangered and contends that it is the duty of congress to expose fearlessly and to apply the most drastic remedies, particularly as there is broadcast a suspicion of conditions in congress. It urges the need of reforms in the legislative methods of the house, a simplification of the rules to avoid trivial technicalities, publicity for all committees, a well-ordered system of docketing the committees, abolition of caucus as a system of registration of lobbyists and penalizing of attempts to bribe or otherwise improperly influence legislation.

"The report further declares that the alleged lobbying under investigation was a battle between the vested and labor interests and arraigns the so-called Workmen's Protective association as a pretext for machinations of lobbyists. It states that the disclosures a few days after President Wilson's public charge of improper influences at work on legislation brought overwhelming proof of the need of the inquiry."

The house lobby committee ended its work today by passing on a revised text of conclusions as to testimony concerning Representative McDermott of Illinois and other chief figures in the house investigation. Democrats and republicans have three signed a report holding McDermott guilty of impropriety, but making no recommendations. Representative McDonald of Michigan today completed a report agreeing to the committee statement of facts, but dissenting from its conclusions and recommending legislation for lobbying in a report to be presented to the house tomorrow.

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